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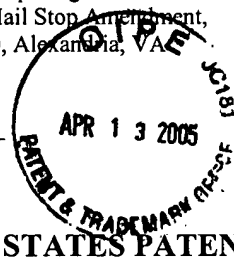
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Office action mailed on November 17, 2004, Applicants hereby amend the claims and otherwise respond as follows. The shortened period for response expired February 17, 2005, accordingly, Applicants hereby petition for a two month extension of time. A check in the amount of \$450.00 is enclosed to cover the cost of the extension of time fee. The extended due date for this response therefore is April 17, 2005. It is believed that there is no additional fee associated with the filing and consideration of this amendment, however, **should the Commissioner decide that any fee or fee deficiency is due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any and all fees incurred as a result of entering this amendment and response to Deposit Account number 03-0172.**

Please amend the application as follows:

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